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Applicant: TAKAFUNMI MATSUMURA ET AL.
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REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO CHANGE DRAWINGS

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby respectfully requests permission to replace the original drawing sheets 13/20 and 19/20 with the new drawing sheets 13/20 and 19/20 attached herewith. New drawing sheet 13/20 changes Figure 20 by removing the connection from DECT3 to the uppermost switch and new drawing sheet 19/20 changes Figure 27 by removing the ovals on R1 and R2. Support for the change to Figure 20 is found in the specification at the paragraph bridging pages 46-47. Support for the change to Figure 27 is found in the specification in the second paragraph of page 1, line 15 through page 2, line 7, in the paragraph bridging pages 2-3, and in Figures 9 and 25. No other changes have been made to the drawings with the replacement sheets and no new matter has been added to the application by the submission of the replacement drawings sheets or by the changed contained therein.

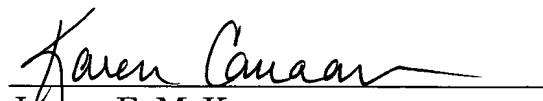
Applicant also requests permission to change drawing Figures 21 and 23, as indicated in red on the attached drawing sheets 14/20 and 16/20. These changes replace the improper designation "D/A Conversion" with the proper designation --D/A Power Supply--. Support for the change is found in the specification at the paragraph bridging pages 50-51 and in Figure 24. These drawing changes do not add new matter to the application.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #381AS/50350).

Respectfully submitted,

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